

WHAT WILL NOT WOMAN, GENTLE WOMAN, DARE SHE WAS DIVORCED AND NEVER KNEW IT.

Mrs. Eva Smith Says She Was Not Served with Papers and Had No Chance to Defend Case.



MRS. EVA SMITH

If the story of Mrs. Eva Smith, of No. 1,212 Third Avenue, Brooklyn, is true, the fake divorce mills of this town are still grinding altogether too fast. Mrs. Smith, who is a young woman, with a little child, who finds herself deserted by her husband, and thrown upon her own resources to earn a living. When she has her husband arraigned in court, charged with failure to support her, she is confronted by his lawyers, who hand her a set of day-signed divorce papers, and granting him the custody of the child, on the ground that she has been guilty of breaking her marriage vows. Mrs. Smith solemnly asserted in court that she was never served with notice of the suit; that she had no opportunity to defend it; and that her first intimation of it came when a policeman came to her in the Police Court.

Mrs. Smith is the daughter of Thomas Stillwell, a contractor, of No. 1,212 Third Avenue, and a granddaughter of Col. George Stillwell, a Civil War veteran, who at the age of ninety-two is still an Inspector of the Brooklyn Street Cleaning Department. She was married on Sept. 8, 1898, to James F. Smith, an employee of the Strauss Park & Co., at No. 43 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn. They went to live in Eighteenth Street.

A year after their marriage a child was born. She was named Madeline. According to the wife's story, she and her husband lived happily together, save for occasional outbursts of unwarranted jealousy on his part, until last August.

Said he would get divorce.

One day he accused her of being too intimate with his own brother. He declared that he was going right down town to get a divorce. When he returned that night, his wife said, he had been divorced, and she had no idea of it.

A week later he told her, she says,

that he was so badly in debt that she would have to go and live with her parents until he could get on his feet. She consented, and about Sept. 1 she went, taking her child with her.

After that she did not see her husband again. He gave up their flat and kept away from her. He gave her no money, and she was obliged to go to work. She obtained employment with a collection agency in the Temple Bar Building.

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"I was simply stunned when I learned it," she said. "Some of my friends told me I had learned, knew that he was getting a divorce, but they wouldn't tell me. And to think that he has the custody of Madeline, I will kill her before I will let him have her. I have no knowledge who was named as the respondent, but it must have been his brother, from what he said that day he mentioned a divorce. 'If a divorce can be granted in such a way in New York, then no woman is safe. Any one is likely to be granted a bad woman and wife, without a chance to defend her good name. I am innocent, and at ninety-two I am innocent. I don't know how it is that, knowing he could

prove nothing, he got the divorce by fraudulent means. I shall find out how parents until he could get on his feet. She consented, and about Sept. 1 she went, taking her child with her.

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Holy Ghosts "Baptized" Little One for Effect on Others:

MAY ARREST LEADER.

Brooklyn Children's Society Will Act if Illness Comes to Youngster Ducked Yesterday.

Brooklyn does not appear to be alarmed over the prophecies of the Holy Ghost and its Society that the Borough is going to be wiped off the map by a hot fire from Heaven.

Brooklyn does manifest interest, however, in the cruelty of the leader of the cult, one Sanford, who ducked a five-year-old child in the waters of New York Bay yesterday while the wind was blowing a gale and the mercury hovered about the thirty-three degree mark. The little one screamed with fright as she was mercilessly forced under the water, and if any injury should result to her the Children's Society of Brooklyn will take a hand.

In connection with this baptism yesterday it has been learned that only one of the crowd baptized lives in Brooklyn. This is a woman of the name of Hanson. The others are all members of the band of Holy Ghosts and the child is the daughter of an enthusiastic worker.

It is charged that Sanford carries this crowd with him and that they are baptized in every town they visit in order that others may be lured into the water. They are used, according to report, as "cannibals" are used by traveling shows.

Six newspaper reporters and four persons who looked as though they had come in to be out of the crowd, counted the audience at the meeting of the Holy Ghosts in Grand Union Hall this morning. Sanford was not present nor was his absence explained. Inquiries as to the effect on his health of his feat of remaining in the cold water of the bay while he baptized eight people yesterday were unanswered.

Providence has not as yet stirred anybody to the extent of producing rent for the hall, and the Holy Ghosts' movement is falling into decay. Little more will be heard about it unless the case of the child is taken up by the Children's Society.

Supt. Wilkinson has ordered an investigation. If the immersion of the little one yesterday has caused illness, he will have Sanford arrested. Magistrate Tilden, of the Butler Street Court, stands ready to issue the warrant.

"I can scarcely believe that any man could be so cruel as this man was to that little girl," said the Magistrate this morning. "If he is brought before me I will give him the limit of the law dealing with cruelty to children."

"Brother" Perry spent three hours haranguing his hearers. He made dire threats about what was going to happen to those who slandered God's commissioner, Mr. Sanford.

"Just as the people of old slandered Moses and were afflicted with leprosy as a punishment," he said, "so now will the people who slander Mr. Sanford be punished, but to a greater degree. Mr. Sanford holds a larger commission than Moses, for he is to lift the veil from the faces of 50,000,000, while Moses worked with but a few thousand. God will rebuke his detractors more severely than he did those of Moses."

Dorothy Barton, the child who was immersed yesterday, was at the hall with her mother. She may not be ill, but she certainly looked as though she were.

PRIEST DIED SUDDENLY.

Rev. J. H. McKeehn Found Dead in Bed from Heart Trouble.

WORCESTER, Mass., Nov. 11.—Rev. James H. McKeehn, assistant pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, was found dead in bed early today. He retired last night in his usual health, but failed to respond to the call for the 7:30 o'clock mass. The housekeeper entered his apartments and found him dead. Heart failure caused death.

Patner McKeehn was born in Holyoke about forty years ago and was a graduate of St. Mary's Seminary. He finished his studies at Ottawa, and was ordained in Springfield. He had been a member of the United Brethren (the Shaker community), worth \$50,000, had an interest in the property, and that he was a member and could secure a renewal of the lease if Ludemann would pay him \$2,000. He paid the money. Then he learned that Valentine had testified in another case that though sixty years a Shaker he had no influence on leases, and he proceeded against the patriarch, charging fraud and obtained the judgment on which he was arrested.

J. S. Burdett, the Well-Known Humorist.

J. S. Burdett, the well-known humorist, uses Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup exclusively to prevent hoarseness and to cure coughs and colds. Thousands of public speakers, clergymen and singers pay tribute to Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup as the greatest cough medicine ever discovered.

Mr. Burdett, whose residence is No. 22 West 123rd Street, New York City, says:

"Since I have been reciting in public I find it necessary to take something to keep my throat in normal condition and free from hoarseness and coughs. I have taken Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup exclusively for the past five years, and find it not only prevents hoarseness but keeps me free from coughs and colds. I heartily recommend it to any one who speaks or sings in public, or to any one who is subject to coughs and colds."

DECIMA MOORE DIVORCED.

Prima Donna Wins Suit Against Her Husband, Cecil Walker Leigh.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—Lilian Decima Moore, the prima donna, was today granted a divorce from her husband, Cecil Walker Leigh, on the ground of cruelty.

She was married in 1894, while making her debut at the age of 18.

PRETTY NURSE WHO NEARLY PERISHED IN SNOW-COVERED FOREST MAY RECOVER.



(From a Photograph.)

(Special to The Evening World.)

UTICA, Nov. 14.—Although Miss Margaret McConnell, the pretty nurse, who was lost in the snow-covered Adirondacks on Monday and was found yesterday afternoon lying on the Woodbury highway, fifteen miles from McKeeville, is today in a precarious condition, her family and friends entertain a strong hope that she will recover.

Miss McConnell, a delicate girl, an invalid out in the mountains in search of health, had wandered about the forest for more than fifty hours, seeking shelter from rain and snow under windfalls. She was chilled to stiffness when found, and has not yet recovered sufficiently to tell of her sufferings. Her shoes were torn to pieces from contact with fallen timber, and had it not been that she

wore a long golf cloak with a heavy hood, she must have perished.

Miss McConnell is twenty-six years old, a graduate of the Faxon School, and lives here with her parents and a large family of brothers and sisters. She was nursing in a prominent Utica family, when, two months ago, her physician ordered her to the mountains for recuperation.

SHAKER 80 YEARS OLD A PRISONER.

ROBERT VALENTINE SURRENDERED BY SURETIES.

Member of the Mt. Lebanon Community and in Trouble Over Lease Transaction.

INSISTS ON WEDDING BEFORE OPERATION.

RAILROAD PRESIDENT IS CONVALESCING RAPIDLY.

John F. Pidecock, of the Northern Georgia Railroad, Refuses to Delay His Marriage.

LAST RITES OVER PROF. MAYO-SMITH.

CHRIST CHURCH CROWDED TO THE DOORS.

Sixty Columbia Professors and 250 Students Mourn for Instructor Who Was Killed by Fall.

New York representatives of the City Trust and Safe Deposit and Surety Company, of Philadelphia, walked into Sheriff Grell's office today with an aged and bent patriarch, minus the patriarchal beard, however, and surrendered him on a bond for \$2,000.

The patriarch proved to be Robert Valentine, a Shaker, from the Shaker community at Mount Lebanon, N. Y. He is past eighty years old and was clad in the sombre gray garb of the Shakers, with a broad-brimmed felt hat to match the rest of his garb.

The octogenarian is a judgment debtor to August Ludemann, and was arrested in 1898 on an order signed by ex-Judge Roger A. Pryor. At that time the Surety Company went on the old Shaker's bond and he gained his liberty.

Ludemann had a lease of the building No. 17 West Houston Street from the Dwyer estate and, the lease expiring, he desired a renewal. The Shaker called on him, told him that the United Brethren (the Shaker community), worth \$50,000, had an interest in the property, and that he was a member and could secure a renewal of the lease if Ludemann would pay him \$2,000. He paid the money. Then he learned that Valentine had testified in another case that though sixty years a Shaker he had no influence on leases, and he proceeded against the patriarch, charging fraud and obtained the judgment on which he was arrested.

John F. Pidecock, President of the Northern Georgia Railroad, may consider himself both a lucky and an unlucky man. He is unlucky in that within a few hours of his wedding he was taken so dangerously ill that an operation was necessary, and he is lucky in that, insisting on an immediate marriage before the operation, his bride consented, and now he is getting well.

Mr. Pidecock's bride was Miss Jeanette Davis, of White House, N. J. The ceremony was planned to have taken place at the home of James N. Pidecock, a brother of the bridegroom, in White House, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

In the morning the bridegroom was taken ill, and the doctors said an immediate operation was necessary. Mr. Pidecock consented, but said he wasn't going to put off the wedding, so he and the bride were married at 10 o'clock, and he tied the knot right away.

Then the bridegroom went under the knife. He is believed to be out of danger. As soon as he recovers he and his bride will return to his home in Moultrie, Ga.

Funeral services over the body of Prof. Richmond Mayo Smith, of Columbia University, who was killed by a fall from a window of his home, No. 26 West Seventy-seventh Street, on Monday night, were held today in Christ Church, Seventy-first Street and Broadway.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Newton N. Perkins, of the City Missions Society, in which Prof. Mayo Smith was greatly interested.

About 250 Columbia students and fifty members of the faculty attended. They filled the entire centre of the church, which was crowded to the doors.

A choir of thirty voices met the casket at the door of the church and chanted as it was being carried to the altar by the honorary bearers, followed. Among them were Mayor-elect Seth Low and Nicholas Murray Butler, acting President of Columbia.

The body was taken to the Grand Central Station, whence it will be taken this afternoon on a special train to Tarrytown for interment in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery.

The Right Thing

A New Catarrh Cure, Which Is Rapidly Coming to the Front.

For several years Eucalyptol, Guaiacum and Hydrastin have been recognized as standard remedies for catarrhal troubles, but they have always been given separately.

Druggists sell the remedy under the name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and it has met with remarkable success. The cure of nasal catarrh, bronchial and throat catarrh, and in catarrh of the stomach.

Mr. F. N. Bonton, whose address is care of Clark House, Troy, N. Y., says: "When I run up against anything that is good, I like to tell people of it. I have been troubled with catarrh more or less for some time. Last winter more than ever. Tried several so-called cures, but did not get any benefit from them. About six weeks ago I bought a box of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and am glad to say that they have done wonders for me and I do not hesitate to get my friends to know that Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are the right thing."

Mr. Geo. J. Cassanova, of Hotel Grillon, West Park, New York City, writes: "I have commenced using Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, and already they have given me better results than any catarrh cure I have ever tried."

A leading physician of Pittsburgh advises that the Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are a preference to any other treatment for catarrh of the head, throat or stomach. "They are reliable, safe, superior to cathartics, salves, lotions or powders. They are much more convenient and pleasant to take than any other medicine. They contain no opium, cocaine or any poisonous drugs. They are probably the safest and most reliable cure for any form of catarrh."

JUMPED FROM RUNWAY CAR.

The Conductor and Four Children Badly Hurt Near Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 14.—A man and four children were injured by jumping from a runaway traction car on the hill above New Homestead today. They were: Mary Ellen Roach, ten years old, skull fractured; William Kelly, conductor, thirty-two years; John Lacey, fifteen years; Martin Lacey, eleven years; and James Lacey, nine years. All but the conductor recovered. The car did not leave the tracks, and the motor man, who stuck to his post, was not injured.

BANK STARTED WITH \$270 CAPITAL.

SAVINGS OF AMERICAN SAVINGS OF WASHINGTON AIRE.

Receiver's Charges Made in Court Against President Denied.

(Special to The Evening World.)

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—The three receivers of the American Savings Bank of this city, which suspended payment on Sept. 23 last, have instituted a suit in equity against the President of the bank, William O. Roome, and against the Union Surety & Guaranty Company, to prevent certain transfers of notes.

In their petition to the court the receivers make this allegation:

"That on Nov. 10, 1897, William Oscar Roome, N. T. Haller, and Charles W. Roome, a friend and business associate of William Oscar Roome, were among the principal organizers of a private bank, incorporated under the laws of Virginia as the American Savings Bank, of which Roome was made President."

HARBURGER GETS A JOB.

Julius Harburger has been made Clerk of the Fourth District Court by Municipal Court Judge George F. Roesch. The appointment is for six years and the salary is \$3,000 a year.

Mr. Harburger formerly held the position, but was removed by Judge Roesch in 1895. Martin Engel wanted the place for his son and he also had another candidate, but when Richard Croker awarded the plum to Harburger that

FIGHT GOES ON FOR NEW ROAD.

MORE TESTIMONY TO-DAY FOR HUCKLEBERRY'S RIVAL.

Company's President Believes Not Earnings Would be \$81,500 a Year.

John H. Hotelling was the first witness today at the hearing before the State Railroad Commission on the application of the New York and Port Chester Railroad Company for a permit to build a four-track electric third-rail surface road between the Harlem River and Port Chester. He is a real estate dealer who resides at Bedford Park in the Borough of the Bronx, and he appraised the value of property acquired by the company.

"I think," he said, "the property owners look upon the road as a desirable improvement, which will tend to increase the value of their property and be governed accordingly. I think the owners will be glad to deed their property to the company."

William C. Gotschal, Chief Engineer and president of the applicant company, testified that his estimate of the operating and maintaining expenses per annum of the road would be \$50,122, gross earnings, which said, would be \$1,600,000, leaving net earnings of \$1,099,878.

FIGHTING IN MOROCCO.

Benimara Tribe Defied the Sultan and Met the Mesmuda.

TANGHER, Nov. 14.—Fierce fighting has occurred between the Benimara and Mesmuda tribes, resulting in the killing of many on both sides. The Benimara razed a number of villages on the plains and carried off eighteen Mesmuda girls.

They had been threatened by the Sultan with punishment for abducting a Spanish boy and girl and took this method of demonstrating that they were prepared to fight any force that might be sent against them.

FIND BONES OF TWO BOYS.

Workmen Dig Skeletons from Old Fire Ruins in Brooklyn.

Italian workmen in excavating today in the ruins of an old building burned down in 1892, at the northeast corner of Willoughby Avenue and Broadway, Williamsburg, found the bones of two boys who were buried there. The building contained a music hall, and after the performance of a theatrical company on the evening of May 15, 1892, the place burned down. The boys had been attending to the bowling alleys.

Several cases of wine, a silver watch and three or four pieces of silverware were also found. The bones were taken to the Morgue.

JOCKEY LOATES INJURED.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—Owing to a fall while riding in the race for the Nasby Handicap Plate at the Autumn Meeting of the Northampton and Pychale Hunt today, Sam Loates, the noted English jockey, broke his thigh and several of his ribs.

His condition is serious.

COL. HENRY MAPLESON DEAD

London Impresario Was a Son of the Famous Operatic Director.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—Col. Henry Mapleson, the operatic impresario, died in London today of Bright's disease. He was President of the International Society of Music.

Col. Henry Mapleson was the son of Col. J. H. Mapleson, the famous director of Italian opera in London, New York and other cities. He was born in 1831 and married Mrs. Robt. Mittenberger, of New Orleans. He was a collector of rare musical instruments.

Help Wanted—Male.

UPHOLSTERERS WANTED—W. & J. H. ROOME, of Broadway & 19th Street, New York, will give IMMEDIATE and PERMANENT EMPLOYMENT TO EXPERIENCED UPHOLSTERERS WITH HIGHEST WAGES AND 50 PER CENT. ADVANCE FOR OVERTIME. APPLY BY MAIL OR IN PERSON.

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